

Please amend the text on page 40, at line 16 as follows:

Table [2] 4

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 31, 32, and 35 as follows (a clean copy of the amended claims is attached as appendix 2):

Claim 31 (once amended). The rod lens array according to claim [2] 26, wherein each of the rod lens has a center-line-average roughness of 0.5  $\mu\text{m}$  - 2.0  $\mu\text{m}$  on the peripheral surface.

Claim 32 (once amended). The rod lens array according to claim [3] 27, wherein each of the rod lens has a center-line-average roughness of 0.5  $\mu\text{m}$  - 2.0  $\mu\text{m}$  on the peripheral surface.

Claim 35 (once amended). The rod lens array according to claim [8] 34, wherein a frame is fixed to at least one of two outer surfaces of said resin portion that are opposite in a thickness direction of the array.

REMARKS

The specification has been amended to correct references to tables set forth therein. Claims 31, 32, and 35 have been amended to correct dependency. No new matter has been added.

Please proceed to examination on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,



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